

# WILFORD COMMUNITY GROUP

## Minutes of the Community Group Committee Meeting Held at 7:30pm on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2013 At Wilford Social and Bowls Club

Present: Andrew Rule (AR) – Chair  
 Peter Stiles (PBS) – Treasurer  
 Sheila Atherton (SA)  
 Linda Stiles (LS)  
 Brian Hardy (BH)  
 Frank Wakelin (FW)  
 Bill Roughton (BR)  
 Pat Huxley (PH)

Also present: Clr Roger Steel (RS)  
 And a local resident

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<b>1</b>	<b>Apologies:</b> Parbinder Singh, Daniel Atherton, Dave Boulton, Alan Foster	
<b>2</b>	<b>Minutes of 1<sup>st</sup> July:</b> The minutes were approved and signed off by AR.	
<b>3</b>	<p><b>Tram Construction Concerns:</b></p> <p><b>3.1 Update from Liaison Group Meeting 14.08.2013</b></p> <p>BH had attended the meeting on behalf of the Group and reported on the Meeting as follows:-</p> <p>The full closure of Wilford Lane is necessary to reroute two very deep and large drains and gas pipes which will need extensive excavation. The possibility of a partial closure of Wilford Lane had been investigated but the space required to facilitate this work precluded this option.</p> <p>The pinch point at the old railway bridge on Wilford Lane is not being altered.</p> <p>The phasing of the traffic lights at the junction of Wilford Line/Main Road/Ruddington Lane/Clifton Lane will not be altered as sensors in the road will reduce the time allowed from the direction of the Co-Op side.</p> <p>Parking in Ruddington Lane will be monitored.</p> <p>Potential traffic delays at the junction of Compton Acres and Landmere Lane and at the junction of Landmere Lane and Ruddington Lane, particularly with traffic turning right, were raised. No arrangements have been made to alleviate these possible problems but it will be monitored on a regular basis and, if necessary, traffic lights may be installed.</p>	

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<p>Work has been on going under the Toll Bridge to strengthen the springs of the bridge and more work on the surface will be seen in the coming weeks. The existing surface will be completely replaced.</p> <p>The wall alongside Coronation Avenue takes its height on that side above the original flood height level. The contractors have no responsibility for the flood bank on the rugby field side. This level will need to be carefully checked against the flood level on the Nottingham side which at the same level of the Coronation Avenue side could be a possible risk.</p> <p>The contractors are currently working on the proposed track bed alongside the old railway embankment and are installing a series of underground automatic pumps combined with a water storage capacity which will pump water from the Tram Stop area at Wilford Lane to the new filter ponds in the vicinity of Iremongers Pond.</p> <p>The new footpath will be on the opposite side from where the temporary path is now and work will soon be started on this and the track. The level can be seen by the already laid manhole covers. The footpath under the first bridge will be temporarily closed while this part of the work is carried out and access will only be available by going along Coronation Avenue and turning onto the temporary path then across the track on temporary paths, then along the new path to the next crossing and then continue to Wilford Lane.</p> <p>-----</p> <p>LS wondered why earth removed from the embankment by Iremongers Pond was not being used to infill where the new flood wall had been built. It transpires that this soil is unsuitable.</p> <p>RS reported that he is dealing with a complaint from a resident regarding the dust generated from the works and lorries conveying soil.</p> <p><b>3.2 Bus Diversions / Wilford Lane Closure.</b></p> <p>RS has provided a revised timetable for the route L1, the Wilford Village / Silverdale bus. This will routed into Wilford Lane with a U-turn executed at the Co-Op to allow a safe and convenient stop.</p> <p>The timetable shows that the bus will leave the village stop at 09:37, 10:47, 11:57 and 14:07 with departures from Nottingham at 11:58 (not Saturday), 13:19 , 14:29 and 15:58 (to Wilford Village only on request).</p> <p>BH felt after the Group's efforts in the past years, this presents a dismal outlook for the next four months for the people dependant on the village bus service.</p> <p>PBS expressed his concern over the location of the temporary bus stops outside Gleeds and the Harvester Restaurant, presenting potential bus users with the need to cross Main Road or Ruddington Lane where no controlled crossings exist.</p> <p>-----</p> <p>It was agreed that these and any other concerns could be expressed at the forthcoming drop-in sessions.</p>	<p>ALL</p>
<p><b>4 Proposal for 20mph Zones in Wilford:</b> The proposed 20mph zones were discussed. It was generally felt that as the recent speed monitoring exercise had revealed that a large proportion of traffic in Main</p>	

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	<p>Road did not observe the current 30mph speed restriction, it was unlikely that a lower restriction would be obeyed.</p> <p>Although a consensus of those present indicated a negative response to the proposals, it was suggested that a wider consensus should be obtained by circulating the details amongst those residents on the WCG email list and asking for their reaction to the proposals.</p>	DB
<b>5</b>	<p><b>Asset Transfer:</b> RS reported that he had received the report of the structural survey carried out on the library building by Gleeds which indicates that the cost of the works required to bring the building up to standard will be £90,000. The report was passed to AR as chairman of the Asset Transfer Sub-committee.</p>	
<b>6</b>	<p><b>Pigeon Fouling under former Railway Bridges:</b> BH reported that the netting had been replaced and the standard of the works carried out was an improvement on the original works.</p>	Closed
<b>7</b>	<p><b>Crime Figures:</b> AR reported that the crime figures had not been made available.</p>	
<b>8</b>	<p><b>Silverdale Roundabout:</b> AR agreed to contact the Highways Agency regarding the condition of the road surface on the Silverdale side of the roundabout.</p>	AR
<b>9</b>	<p><b>Parking Issues:</b> PBS asked whether traffic wardens had been deployed as requested at the last Committee Meeting to deal with inconsiderate/illegal parking in Main Road. As it was unclear if this had happened, AR agreed to contact the Traffic Dept. to action this request at the start of the new school year.</p>	AR
<b>10</b>	<p><b>Planter Maintenance:</b> PBS asked if the cheque from Taylor Woodrow Alstom had been received. RS advised that this would be imminent.</p>	
<b>11</b>	<p><b>Dorothy Boot Homes Signage:</b> AR reported that Parbinder is investigating the provision of suitable signage.</p>	AR/PS
<b>12</b>	<p><b>Nominating Assets of Community Value (2011 Localism Act) :</b> AR reported that he and DB will finalise the paperwork on DB's return from holiday.</p>	DB/AR
<b>13</b>	<p><b>Any Other Business:</b></p> <p><b>13.1 Dog Fouling.</b> BH reported that dog fouling is on the increase. RS advised the Meeting that a new initiative from NCC whereby responsible owners would be encouraged to report the more inconsiderate owners who allowed their dogs to foul footpaths etc and did not clear up the faeces.</p> <p><b>13.2 Iremongers Pond.</b> BR reported that once more the pond had been awarded a Green Flag. He encouraged those present to make use of this amenity to ensure that it would continue to be identified as a village asset. The Iremongers Pond Group is looking into the provision of better access to the pond from the village.</p>	

The meeting closed at 8:35pm.

Signed.....(Chair) Date.....